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To: <mongans@slc.ca.gov>, <scott_powers@blm.gov>
Subject DEIR/EA El Paso Line 1903 Pipeline Conversion Project
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Ms. Mongano and Mr. Powers:

Thank-you for providing a copy of the above referenced DEIR/EA to review. I have the following comments:

- D-1 1) It appears that the proposed Ehrenberg to Cadiz Alternative would not meet one of the primary project objectives, which is to provide access for EPNG customers to Rocky Mountain gas supplies from the Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River) at Daggett, California. The proposed Ehrenberg to Cadiz Alternative does not appear to provide a connection to the Kern River system and only relies upon the connection to the Mojave Pipeline system through the Cadiz Lateral.
- D-2 2) Only the Wheeler Ridge to Ehrenberg Proposed Project or the proposed Ehrenberg to Daggett Alternative would meet the primary objective of providing access to Rocky Mountain gas supplies as they both provide connection to the Kern River system at Daggett, California.
- D-3 3) Assuming that the need to provide access to Rocky Mountain gas supplies still exists, then the proposed Ehrenberg to Daggett Alternative is environmentally superior to the Proposed Project for the reasons presented in Section 3.5.1, page 3-6 of the DEIR/EA.
- D-4 4) If it is determined that the need to provide access for EPNG customers to Rocky Mountain gas supplies no longer exists, then the proposed Ehrenberg to Cadiz Alternative is the environmentally superior alternative, notwithstanding the No Project Alternative.

Please maintain my contact information on your public participation database. I wish to receive a complete copy of the FEIR/EA. Thank-you.

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Response:

D-1 The Applicant states that the Alternative will substantially meet the purpose and need for the Project.

D-2 See response to D-1.

D-3 Comment noted.

D-4 Comment noted.

Comments